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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Trip Report - Watertown

1. The undersigned visited the Watertown Strip and while there contacted SACLU and discussed several problems with them.

2. SACLU wants to have minimum training standards established for both the crews and the detachment. They would like to see an operations procedure established for the unit so that they may train the unit and evaluate the detachment's ability to do the job.

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3. [] expressed concern about the proposed sextant's delivery date. He wants to fly a minimum of two missions using the sextant during the latter part of the training period. [] who is concerned with the navigation training, wants information relative to the operation of all photo navigation equipment to be installed in the aircraft.

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4. Computer requirements were discussed with [] This officer was the Project Officer in the Squadron at Turner AFB, Georgia that service tested the Kollsman automatic sextant, and as such was primarily associated with the aircraft performance. He has flown both the Atlantic and Pacific in F84F. [] feels that we need a Mach. 8 TAS computer, a time and distance computer, and also a how-goes-it-curve in order to insure successful aircraft performance prediction. The SACLU Detachment is attempting to compile the necessary statistics for predicting aircraft performance. Captain Meierdierck suggests a TAS Mach. 8 computer similar to the one presently furnished in the 263 equipment for the F84F. This computer is made by Batori and has proven very satisfactory.

5. The Hycon people are to furnish information to correct our photo-camera book here at Headquarters on the A-1 and A-2 configuration. B & C configuration information will be furnished at a later date.

6. SACLU wants to know what progress reports this Headquarters wants from them when the Detachments begin their training.

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